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Americana Community Center  
C/o Edgardo Mansilla  
4801 Southside Dr  
Louisville, KY 40214

Dear Mr. Mansilla:

I wanted to inform you Restorative Justice Louisville Inc. has received the referral of the Burglary 3rd charge against Peresi Niyonkuru, Iman Bakari, Prince Zreayah, and Abdi Muhamed. This referral was initiated by the Jefferson County District Court.

The referral provides you and other affected the opportunity to participate in the Restorative Justice Louisville, Inc. Family Group Conference program. The Family Group Conference program can provide you and/or your community, as victim representatives, a unique opportunity to:

- \* Ask and receive answers to questions about the offense that only the offender can provide.
- \* Explain the impact of the offense, including feelings and frustrations, directly to the person who should hear them.
- \* If appropriate, determine the amount and payment schedule for restitution with the offender directly.
- \* Have an opportunity to be directly involved with how the offender is held accountable.

While the Family Group Conference program is not appropriate for all cases nor is it a cure-all for crime in our communities, many victims have found it worthwhile. I am enclosing, for your review, a brochure describing the program provided by Restorative Justice Louisville Inc.

You should also know that with this court referral, the young person charged with the offense has preliminarily agreed to consider participating in this program, to accept responsibility for their actions and to consider the impact that this offense has had on you.

Your participation with the program is voluntary. However, we encourage you to take a few minutes to learn more about the program by talking to me or one of our trained facilitators. You will receive a call from me or one of our trained facilitators in the near future. The phone number that we have for you is (502) 366-7813. If this number is not correct, please contact me at 502 574-6869.

If you have any questions prior to us contacting you, please feel free to contact me by phone. If I am not available when you call, please leave a phone number and time of day that would be most convenient for my return phone call.

Thank you for considering participating in our program.

Sincerely,

Libby Mills, Executive Director  
Restorative Justice Louisville Inc.